

The Wichita Eagle.

M. M. MURDOCK, Editor and Proprietor.

WICHITA, FRIDAY, AUGUST 3, 1872.

For President.

U. S. GRANT,

For Vice President.

HENRY WILSON,

County Central Committee.

The Republican Central Committee of Sedgewick county are requested to meet at the parlor of the Douglas Avenue House, in Wichita, on Monday, August 20, 1872, at 1 o'clock. A full attendance is desired.

C. C. NICHOLS, Chairman.

J. M. BROWN, Secretary.

Republican State Conventions.

A republican state convention, to nominate candidates for governor and state officers, and a central committee, will be held at the city of Topeka, on

Wednesday, September 12, 1872,

at 12 o'clock, noon.

The republican district of Kansas will, on each representative district of the state, on Thursday, August 20, 1872, in such manner as may be prescribed by the district committee, elect two delegates and two alternates to the convention at Topeka, and two delegates and two alternates to the convention at Lawrence.

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The Daily Fort Scott Republican has made its appearance. D. L. Winter is the editor. The new daily for the Philadelphia nominees, and will be supported while liberal organs of that burg will die of the "jammers" before next Christmas.

A colony is forming in Iowa and Missouri for the western portion of Harvey county. They are Wesleyan Methodists. By autumn many of them will locate and commence improvements, and lay out a new town. The officers have already arrived on a prospecting tour.

DALLAS AND WICHITA.

The city of Dallas unanimously voted \$100,000 to the Dallas and Wichita Railroad—Sherratt (Texas) Journal.

We had prepared an article upon this projected line in connection with the Fifth Parallel, but it was unavoidably crowded out.

BODY FOUND.

Last Saturday morning, near Oxford, some boys who were gathering plums found the corpse of a man lying in the bushes near the Arkansas river. The body was partially decayed, and had evidently been lying there for several months. No pocket book or paper was found about the corpse. Foul play is apprehended.

FOR DISTRICT JUDGE.

The convention of lawyers that convened in Winfield last week for the purpose of recommending one of their number for the suffrages of the people of the thirteenth judicial district as judge, came to grief, as we learn from the Kansas City Press, who was in Winfield last Sunday. The reason assigned for the recommendation of no one is that two or three counties were not represented. Might there not have been too many candidates? We pause for a reply.

IGNORANCE.

The Lawrence Tribune discourses upon what it knows about the Texas cattle trade, which, to tell the truth, is mighty little. It is amusing to note how much ignorance a man can display in a little article when a subject is treated of about which the writer knows nothing. Ellsworth may be a very important cattle market, but cattle buyers and sellers have not yet found it out. There has been more cattle shipped from Wichita during the past week than there has ever been from Ellsworth during the entire season.

WICHITA TRADE.

Owing to the high stage of the Arkansas, many settlers on the other shore are compelled to go to Wichita for supplies. That, however, will be remedied so soon as the high stage of the river is over, and the foot of the Missouri river, which will be by September.—Hutchinson News.

Wichita is a good place to come to for supplies. The amount of goods of every description to be found in Wichita exceeds that of any town in this state outside of the Kansas and Missouri river towns. We refer the merchants and people of other localities to our advertising columns.

STORM AT WICHITA.

This section of country was visited with a terrific electrical storm on last Tuesday evening, which did considerable damage and came very near depriving two or three of life. The storm came from the west. Its intense blackness was lit up continually with the most vivid discharges of electricity which were followed by deafening thunder crashes. The new building of Mills, Stem and Clugston was struck, the fluid passing down both front corners tearing them from splinters. A man by the name of Williams, from Baxter Springs, was standing within a few feet of one of the corners, and received a portion of the discharge which knocked him senseless to the earth. He was picked up in a few moments and carried into the Avenue House where bathing was resorted to which revived his consciousness. He was in great misery, and spit blood. At this, twenty-two hours after the storm, he is resting, and it is thought he will recover. Mr. Clugston was on a scaffold, painting, near the other corner of the building. The concussion threw him from the scaffold to the ground. In the fall he sustained a hurt on one of his legs, but not a serious one. Two horses, belonging to a Texan by the name of Thomas Potts, were hitched just back of the Blue Front, and were killed instantaneously by another discharge of electricity. Mr. Potts is a middle aged man and a laborer. He took his loss to heart that the proprietors of the Blue Front started a subscription, by which \$80 was raised in a few minutes. We have no particular desire to see

GREELY AND BROWN.

Greely and Brown were nominated at the Baltimore democratic convention.

Thus the old party split, surrendering name and everything.—Eagle.

This from a Grant paper. That is just what we are contending neighbor

to, but the Grantites up this way are not agreeing with us; especially when they are trying to influence republicans to leave Greely. They say, instead, that it is Greely who has surrendered to the democracy. But when they get on the blind side of a democrat they take the other course, of proving the life-long hostility of Greely to democracy.—Topeka Record.

The complete annihilation of all the present political parties of this country is imminent, and in a certain event sure. The democratic party per se is now dead, in name, beyond hope; but, Mr. Record, there is this difference still in the election of Grant and Greely. Mr. Greely's policy—his congress and cabinet—all, would be under the control of the soul of the old democratic body, while the administration of Grant will be directed still by the spirit of the party of freedom and progress.

The Winfield Messenger quotes the

EAGLE's comments touching the judicial convention and then offers the following:

"The EAGLE seems to be in ignorance as to how this call was made. We are informed that Wichita attorneys helped to inaugurate the call for a convention and a few of them signed the same. The others gave for not signing it was that they would be candidates for the judgeship before said convention."

The EAGLE objects to such partiality because the convention was not called to meet at Wichita."

The writer may know what he is talking about; we hope he does. The result of the convention was a full confirmation of just what the EAGLE predicted. We objected to no "partiality," nor did we desire the convention held at Wichita. No such inference can be drawn from the advice then offered by us, which now seems to have been correct and timely.

U. S. LAND OFFICE.

The following is the statement of the U. S. land office for July, 1872:

Osage Indian lands, \$2,114 83

Patented for cash, 246 00

Committed homesteads, 157 90

Domestic entries, 15,439 62

Fees on homestead entries, 1,070 00

Committed on homestead entries, 622 00

Osage filings, 311 00

Pre-emption filings, 76 00

One full homestead, 4 00

Total, \$6,371 35

Correspondence of the EAGLE.

FROM COWLEY COUNTY.

WINFIELD, July 27th, 1872.

EDITOR OF EAGLE: As an admirer of your bird, which some of the

hazards of the southwest Kansas, I will "gush" a puff of Walnut Valley air upon its wings. Many good words of cheer and compliment have been said about the EAGLE, all of them well endorsed. Who would have thought ten years ago that the curly haired youth who had just escaped from a case in the Tribune office to start the Osage Chronicle would now be publishing the leading paper of Southwestern Kansas, in the leading town of the promised land, upon the banks of the Arkansas?

THE COMMONWEALTH.

Impotently blind, sees no glimmer of excuse for those republicans who, feeling that objectionable men have control of the Kansas republican party, seek relief in new organizations. Will the Commonwealth say to those wandering brothers, "stay with us and we will aid you to put better men in the places of bad ones?" Of late nothing appears in the state paper but a bitter and agonizing editorial upon H. G. Mainly personal and in its manner of treating the national candidates, it repels the common sense of the people. The district court has been in session at Winfield for the week just closed. The most important business thus far was the criminal docket.

Doss, who stole a horse from a man named —, in the south edge of Sedgewick county, a few weeks since, and brought it to this place and sold it, and who was apprehended here a few days after, was arraigned before the court and pleaded guilty and was sentenced to two years in the penitentiary. All who know him recommended him to the mercy of the court or his term would probably have been longer.

A CARD.

At the close of my engagement in your services allow me to briefly recapitulate what has been accomplished since we have been associated. First, your cattle have been stopped near this point that have been stopped at any other two competitive points in Kansas. This point has already shipped nearly three hundred cars, or five to one over any competitor, and a business of over twelve hundred more cars has actually been received. So that it is very fair to predict that Wichita's cattle business will exceed for the season two thousand cars, and this will be as good as was done at Abilene last year. You have been thorough and judiciously advertised throughout the northwest and the west. Those sheets most read by cattle men everywhere, and that your point is to-day more widely known among cattle men than could have been expected. The leading papers have noticed you favorably, and the smaller papers everywhere have noticed your cattle market. Repeated editorial notices have been accorded to you in the live stock reports of the principal papers. Nothing that a long experience, energy and unparagoned expenditure could accomplish for you has been omitted to be done, and which we do not for a moment think or claim to have done all that has been done, but freely accord to others who have been working to the same end, their full amount of praise and credit, claiming only to have done it thoroughly and well, those who have generously contributed toward my compensation have my sincere thanks and heartfelt wishes for their future welfare.

Respectfully,

Jos. G. McCoy.

There is one peculiarity about the new Southern Kansas papers worthy of note: that is the neat typographical appearance they present. The Kansas Sun, the Wichita Eagle, the Walnut Valley Times, the Hutchinson News, the Wyandotte Gazette.

Their neat appearance is backed up by a sufficient amount of brains to make them the leading country papers in Kansas—and they are all for Grant, Walnut Valley Times.

A. T. Stewart, of New York, has declared himself in favor of Greely, and subscribed \$30,000 to the Greely fund. Still they come.—Emporia Ledger.

Subscribed \$30,000, eh? Then the "Greely fund" is what's the matter with the fund of cowards in the third party?

OUR SCHOOLS.

DISTRICT NO. 3.

The school house in this district is situated on the northeast quarter of section 13, town 28 south, range 1 west, being about seven miles northwest of the two Arkansas rivers. The timber, forming a belt of dark green, marks the course of the rivers as they wind down the valley, gradually nearing each other till the two become one. This, with the fields of ripened grain, the growing corn, with the great breadth of luxuriant grasses, forms a picture varied and beautiful. The school house is a building twenty feet in width, twenty-six in length and one story high. It contains one room which is well lighted and seated with Sherwood's furniture. The teacher is provided with a desk, chairs, a clock, bell and the necessary record books. Mr. S. S. King has had charge of the school during the summer, and the studiousness, good order and progress of the pupils give satisfactory evidence that his labors have not been in vain. He received thirty-five dollars per month. Number of scholars enrolled is thirty-four. The following text-books were used:

McGuffey's readers and spellers, Ray's arithmetic, Mitchell's geography, Harvey's grammar and Goodrich's history.

The people of the district deserve much praise for the interest they have manifested in the cause of education. It is important that a dictionary should be provided by the board for the use of scholars and teacher, and having made the school room pleasant and comfortable within, should include the grounds and ornament them with trees and make the school house and its surroundings a place to be loved by all.

DISTRICT NO. 14.

This district is about four miles northeast of Wichita. The school house is located on the northwest quarter of section 34, town 26 south, range 1 east. It is a new building and its size is sixteen by twenty feet. It is well lighted, has neat white walls, and the manner in which they have been preserved from injury reflects credit both upon the pupils in attendance and the teacher in charge of the school. The school grounds comprise one acre. The location is a good one. A pleasant view of the valley may be had and some of the larger buildings in the city of Wichita may be seen from the school room.

The room is seated with the best of furniture, provided with a good stove, teachers' chairs and other conveniences. Miss Lizzie Kelsey is teacher. The best order is maintained, the pupils seem to understand themselves in their respective branches of study, and in intelligence will compare favorably with any in the country. The following text-books are adopted by the board: American readers, marshall's spellers, Walton's arithmetic, Mitchell's geography, Harvey's grammar, Goodrich's history and the eclectic system of penmanship. The remarks above relative to the interest manifested in school, and also those in regard to the further wants of the district are applicable here. An extension of black board, a teacher's desk and the erection of suitable out-buildings demand the early attention of the district board.

W. C. LITTLE, County Sup't.

Proceedings of the Board of County Commissioners.

COCKEY CREEK'S OFFICE, (Wichita, Kansas, July 25, 1872.)

The board met at 3 o'clock p. m. Present—Sol. H. Kohn, R. A. Keeney and H. C. Reuland.

The county clerk was ordered to accept from some other part of the district or even from Sumner county they will cheerfully acquiesce. But enough of the judiciary. We had forgotten to mention our friend W. H. Kohn, justice of the peace. Romke is one of your wide-awake fellows with an eye single to business, and his full hands and a lot of good sense.

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Vidette office, and found friend Perkins in light working time, with many of the other side and all around him; and we judge by the wrinkled brow and gravity of his countenance that he felt the responsibility of the position. We had forgotten to mention our friend W. H. Kohn, justice of the peace. Romke is one of your wide-awake fellows with an eye single to business, and his full hands and a lot of good sense.

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